



OUTREACH NOTICE

Forest Aviation Officer (FAO) GS-2101-9/11



INTERMOUNTAIN REGION Boise National Forest

Submit outreach response by: February 20th, 2013

Duty Location: Boise, Idaho

Salary Range: \$47,448.00 - \$74,628.00

Position Information: Full Time Permanent

Position to be Advertised

The Boise National Forest will soon be advertising to fill a Forest Aviation Officer position. This position reports directly to the Deputy Fire Staff Officer within a combined Forest Fire and Aviation Program and manages all aviation operations. This is an interagency position with 50% of the responsibilities with the Boise National Forest, 50% with the Boise District Bureau of Land Management and coordinates aviation management with Idaho Department of Lands. The duty station of this position is the Boise Dispatch Center, located in Boise, Idaho. This is a permanent full time position with a target grade of GS-11.

Duties

The primary responsibility of the position is to oversee fire preparedness, suppression activities, and provide supervision of the Boise Airtanker Base personnel. This position oversees the Aviation Program for the Boise National Forest, which includes the Boise Airtanker Base, Boise Air Tactical Platform, Type 2 & 3 exclusive use Forest Helicopters and a Type 1 National Helicopter. The position coordinates the aviation contracts for the BLM and supervises the Mountain Home SEAT Base, and the BLM Air Attack position. The position also coordinates BLM resource management flights and required training.

This position serves as a Level 3 Aviation COR on exclusive use and prescribed fire, Call When Needed (CWN) light fixed wing, CWN helicopter contracts. Other Duties include:

- Coordinate with Interagency partners in all aspects of aviation management.
- Process Aviation Business System invoices and packages for payment for Forest and BLM contracts.
- Produce annual Forest Aviation Plan and briefing guide.
- Complete project aviation safety plans for all non-fire aviation activities on the Forest.
- Review all SAFECOMS on the Forest and document remedies.
- Coordinate prescribed fire aerial ignition operations and staffing on the Forest and neighboring units.
- Coordinate annual aerial ignition refresher and helicopter manager workshops.
- Review and approve aerial ignition prescribed fire plans.
- Address performance and capability issues with pilots and aircraft as needed.
- Provide oversight and aviation resource coordination/prioritization with the aircraft desk at Boise Interagency Dispatch Center.
- Ensure best cost and efficient use of aircraft resources when aviation assets are assigned.
- Coordinate Aerial Observer training and annual refresher

Qualification Requirements

Those who are interested must meet the qualification requirements for the GS-2101 series. The OPM Qualification Standards Handbook Manual is available for the review at any Federal Human Resource office OR on the Internet at <http://www.opm.gov/qualifications.asp>. Applicant must have one year of specialized experience at the next lower level. Specialized experience is that which has equipped the applicant with the particular knowledge, skills, and abilities to perform successfully the duties of the position that is typically in or related to the work of the position to be filled.

Duty Station

Boise Interagency Dispatch Center is located at the Boise District Office/Forest Service Warehouse complex.
Physical Address:
3948 South Development
Boise, ID. 83705

Community Information

Boise, Idaho

Boise is the capital city and is the largest metropolitan community in the state. Numerous national, regional, and state corporations operate from offices in the Boise area. The population (2011) of Boise City is 205,671. However, approximately 409,367 people live in the Boise Metropolitan Statistical Area, which includes Ada and Canyon Counties. Nampa and Caldwell, both located 10 to 15 miles west of Boise, are the major cities within Canyon County. The area is growing at a rapid rate.

Boise's elevation is 2,842 feet. The city's moderate climate adds to life's quality. Winter storms cover the mountains and nearby ski resorts with snow, but generally bring only rain with occasional snow to the valley. Summers consist of clear blue sky and warm to hot temperatures. Annual precipitation in Boise is 12 inches, most of which occurs in the form of rain during November through May. "Sunshine" days occur on the average of 234 days per year. The average temperature in January is 22-36 degrees F.; in April is 37-61 degrees F.; in July is 58-90 degrees F. and, in October is 39-65 degrees F.

Boise State University and other educational institutions are located in Boise and the surrounding area.

Median home sales average \$264,000, and a two-bedroom apartment rents for \$767 per month. The cost of living index is 92.62 (second quarter of '11) based on a National average of 100.

Additional Information

Boise Chamber of Commerce (208-344-5515) www.boise.org
City of Boise <http://www.cityofboise.org/>

Additional Contacts

The vacancy announcement for this position will be posted on the U.S. Government's official website for employment opportunities at: www.usajobs.gov. All Applicants who will have applied to the announcement and are found to be qualified and in the quality group will be referred for consideration.

Interested applicants please complete the attached Outreach Response and e-mail to Sean Johnson [sdjohnson01@fs.fed.us](mailto:sjohnson01@fs.fed.us) no later than February 20th, 2013. If you have any questions or need additional information please contact Sean Johnson at 208-373-4179

How to Apply

The vacancy announcement for this position will be posted on the U.S. Government's official website for employment opportunities at: <http://www.usajobs.com/> sometime after February 1, 2013. Applicants need to indicate Boise, Idaho as their preferred geographic location in order to be considered for this position.

**BOISE NATIONAL FOREST
OUTREACH RESPONSE FORM**

To complete form, use tab key to move between fields (gray blocks), or left click on any field. Entries in check box fields are made by a single click to select or unselect. Type entries in other fields.

Position Identification

Position Title: Forest Aviation Officer
Series/Grade: GS-2101-9/11
Location: Boise, ID

Applicant Information

Name: _____ **E-Mail Address:** _____

Current Title, Series, Grade _____

Current Organization/Location: _____

Current Appointment: ☐ Permanent ☐ Temporary ☐ Term ☐ Not Current Employee

If you are NOT a current permanent (career or career conditional) employee, are you eligible to be hired under any of the following authorities:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Reinstatement | <input type="checkbox"/> Person with Disabilities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Disabled Veteran with 30% Compensable Disability | <input type="checkbox"/> Former Peace Corps Volunteer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Veteran's Employment Opportunities Act of 1998 | <input type="checkbox"/> Demonstration Project |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other | (external Recruitment from the general public) |

Position Interest

I would like to be considered for this position in the series identified.

- ☐ Series currently identified and classified
☐ Other appropriate series for which I am qualified

I would like to be considered for this position at the grade level identified.

- ☐ Target grade level currently identified.
☐ Other grade level for which I am qualified (below target grade)

I wish to be considered for this position(s) as:

- ☐ Permanent Assignment (lateral/promotion/change to lower grade)
☐ NTE 1 Year Detail or Promotion opportunity
☐ Term Appointment

Applicants May Use This Space to Identify Special Qualifications, Interests, Needs or Provide Other Information:

Please send this completed form to Sean Johnson at sdjohnson01@fs.fed.us no later than **February 20, 2013**.